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JVB at Basic Training - Last summer



about 40 plants put in today in the Dunderberg bed.

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## \$upport for Rail Line Urged in Carbondale

Upvalley Bureau

Carbondale - Carbondale Historical Society and Museum Inc. is coordinating a grassroots effort to demonstrate to the county and state that the citizens of Carbondale and the Upper Lackawanna Valley are vitally concerned with the reopening of the rail line from Scranton to Carbondale, and the development of existing and future industry along the line.

Society members contend that this effort is necessary now to guarantee that \$20 matching funds made available by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the rehabilitation of the rail line are not lost due to the lack of local funding. What this means in dollar terms is that for each dollar raised in support of this effort, PennDOT will match that dollar with four dollars. The need for speed in raising these local funds is great because state fiscal requirements mandate that PennDOT matching funds must be spent by June 30, 1985, according to a society spokesman.

Henry Loftus Jr., coordinator of fundraising effort and second vice president of the Historical Society, outlined the long- and short-term economic consequences of the return of rail service to Carbondale.

"Without rail service to Carbondale, we run the risk of losing existing industry along the rail line. At the same time, we minimize our chances of attracting new industry to this area," explained Loftus. He noted that, "Although county officials have committed themselves to the preservation and purchase of the rail lines from Scranton to Carbondale, thus ensuring continued rail service, the rail line must be rehabilitated if we are to maximize our chances of economic development through industry and tourism."

Monsignor Thomas C. Horan, pastor of St. Rose of Lima Church, Carbondale, an enthusiastic supporter of this project, suggested that the effort to raise funds for the rail line "is Carbondale's chance to show that we are concerned about our future and about the world that we bequeath to our children."

Local civic and community organizations, as well as private citizens, may make a tax deductible contribution to this campaign by contacting Loftus, c/o the Carbondale Public Library, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"A \$25 contribution from a local source means that \$100 will be made available for the project from the state. Without local financial support, these available state funds will be directed to other communities and cities in the commonwealth and not to Carbondale and the Lackawanna Valley," stressed Loftus.

He noted that the deadline is June 30. However, all funds must be raised and in place by June 28.

I hate the way the Times has rewritten portions of this release.

Dir "Society members contend..." business is maddening --

the Times is, in effect, saying that the Times does not so contend -- it is so sniveling and cheap of them.

Peg clipped this and gave it to me on Monday.

Electricity at Eldred - 6/19/84 - 6/19/85, meter # 27150885

6-19--7-19	55 KWH	9.17
7-19--8-17	51 " " "	8.85
8-17--9-18	86 " " "	11.66
9-18--10-18	143 " " "	16.24
10-18--11-16	184 " " "	19.53
11-16--12-18	259 " " "	24.28
12-18--01-18	276 " " "	25.27
01-18--02-19	109 " " "	13.48
02-19--03-20	127 " " "	14.92
03-20--04-19	97 " " "	12.52
04-19--05-21	86 " " "	12.56
05-21--06-19	59 " " "	10.38

\$178.86

Not bad, considering the fact that I cook + light my "house" with electricity; also I heat my "house" with electricity

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Now but early start to the day for SAP; had considerable difficulty falling asleep last night and at 1 A.M. I decided that I should read and that that would probably get me drowsy. Not so. I read all of Thoreau's Civil Disobedience and was still wide awake. It was well past 2 A.M. and I was still "going" and getting progressively madder at myself for not being able to fall asleep, which I did sometime after 2 A.M. at 6 A.M. I was wide awake again, and dozed off and on until about 8 P.M., when I got up.

Immediately following my trip out back and after my morning tour of the grounds to make sure that all was well and not deer-damaged, and to see how much <sup>the</sup> things in my garden have grown, I mixed up a double batch of bread (using a modified version of Julia Child's French bread recipe), which I getting to the point where it should be punched down. I borrowed from Peg on Monday a counter top oven that should work much more successfully than the toaster oven that I am borrowing from the Golf course. The oven from cousin Peg is much more "elaborate" and also bigger, which means that I will be able to bake more conventionally-shaped and sized loaves of bread than in the toaster oven. The new oven will be put to the test later today.

No garden report: the grounds are beginning to